



# Hard Drive Quick Start Guide

## IBM ThinkPad® I Series 1400 and 1500 Notebook Computers

This document contains all the information you need to install your Simple Technology hard drive in the following IBM ThinkPad® I Series 1400 and 1500 notebook computers.

ThinkPad 1400 (2611)

ThinkPad 1500

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# 1 Introduction

Simple Technology's hard drives provide the fastest and easiest way to increase the storage capacity for your IBM ThinkPad® I Series 1400 and 1500 notebook computers.

# 2 IBM ThinkPad 1400 and 1500 Notebooks

To install your Simple Technology hard drive in an IBM ThinkPad I Series 1400 and 1500 notebook computer:

- A. Turn off the notebook computer.
- B. Remove all the cables.
- C. Tilt the LCD screen all the back and gently lift off the I Series bar above the keyboard.
- D. Locate and remove the two screws holding the keyboard in place.
- E. Find the tab located directly above the AC adapter plug (the AC adapter plug is located on the back of the IBM TP). Pull out this tab.
- F. Gently lift up the keyboard and place it on the palm-rest.
- G. Locate the silver plate covering the hard drive. Then remove the three screws securing the silver plate and remove the plate.
- H. Lift the hard drive up and remove it from its compartment.
- I. Remove the four screws securing the bracket to the hard drive.
- J. Remove the connector from the hard drive and attach it to your new Simple drive.
- K. Insert your new Simple drive into the computer's hard drive compartment.

- L.** Replace the silver plate over the hard drive and secure it with the three screws in step G.
- M.** Replace the keyboard and secure it using the two screws you removed in step D.
- N.** Replace I Series bar above the keyboard and return the tab back to its original position.
- O.** Replace all the cables you removed in step B.

### **3 Formatting a New Hard Drive**

If your Simple Technology hard drive is not formatted, you must format it before it can hold data.

- A.** Boot from a startup disk. Then, at the DOS prompt, type **FDISK** and press the Enter key.
- B.** When prompted about creating a partition over 2 GB, answer **Yes**. (Older versions of FDISK do not ask this question.)
- C.** When the menu appears, select **1. Create DOS partition or Logical DOS Drive** and press Enter.
- D.** When prompted, select **1. Create Primary DOS Partition** and press Enter
- E.** When prompted, either press Enter to accept the default size or press N to define a custom partition size.
- F.** Press Esc until you return to the FDISK options. Then select **2. Set active partition**.
- G.** Press 1 to make the primary partition active. Then press Esc until you return to the DOS prompt. Restart your notebook to have your changes take effect.

### 4 Creating a Windows 98 Startup Disk

A Windows 98 startup disk serves as an emergency boot disk should the operating system fail to load. The startup disk also contains tools you can use to troubleshoot boot problems.

- A. Click the Start button on the Taskbar, point to **Settings**, and click **Control Panel**.
- B. Double click the **Add/Remove Programs** icon. From the Add/Remove Programs Properties screen, click **Startup Disk**.
- C. Insert a blank floppy disk into your notebook's floppy drive, then click the **Create Disk** button.
- D. After the startup disk is created, close all windows and restart your computer with the startup disk in the drive to verify it works.

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